

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:

Please insert at page 1, line 9 as follows:

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

Please insert at page 8, line 3 as follows:

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

Please insert at page 25, line 23 as follows:

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS AND EXAMPLES

Page 26, line 1, amend to read:

following non-limiting examples, and with reference to Figure 1 which shows
plasmid pCFD30 used in displacement assays.